

REMARKS

Claims 1-41 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claim 39 is amended. Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Applicants appreciate that claims 1-38 and 40 are allowed. Although Applicant agrees that the various claimed limitations mentioned in claims 1-38 and 40 are not taught or suggested by the prior art taken either singly or in combination, Applicants wish to emphasize that it is the language of each claim, including the interrelationships and interconnections between various claimed elements which is allowable over the prior art of record, and not the Examiner's paraphrasing of claim features which are not present in any of the allowed claims.

Claims 39 and 41 are allowable in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks.

CLAIM REJECTIONS – 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 39 and 41 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Kim et al. (USP 5,461,591). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants submit that the rejection to claim 39 has been rendered moot as amended claim 39 now includes similar features as found in allowable claim 1. Specifically, claim 39 has been amended to recite “controlling a length of a period of the oscillation signal generated by the oscillation circuit and a pulse width of a word line enable signal generated by the word line enable circuit in response to the oscillation signal, based on a change in mode of operation of the device, and the pulse width of the word line enable signal being widened based on the change in the mode of operation of the device”.

Applicant has further read the entire passage of Kim and asserts that Kim is completely silent of the above recited features.

Because Kim fails to disclose each and every feature of the claimed invention, it cannot provide a basis for a rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102. Thus, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claim 41 is allowable by virtue of its dependency on claim 39, and for the features recited therein. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant earnestly solicits reconsideration and allowance of all of the pending claims.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the telephone number of the undersigned below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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